



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Arne H. Deggerdal et al.

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated August 26, 2004, be extended for three months to and including February 26, 2005.

Enclosed is a check for \$1020 for the required fee. Apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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